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ROUTING

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : GUATEMALA CITY

ACTION: WH (PBS) (1-3)

INFO : WH (4), DCI (5), D/DCI (6), DD/P (L) (7), SA/PC/DCI (8)

GUAT 874 (IN 19252)

0213Z 18 JUN 54

ROUTINE

TO: () SLINC

INFO: DIR

PRECEDENCE
CITE: SQUAT

REF: LINC 3946 (IN 18904)

1. () MEETING HELD MORNING 17
JUNE. FOLLOWING IS SHORT SUMMARY:

A. () AND () HAVE AGREED THAT IF EMERGENCY
ARISES THEY WILL MEET IN HOME OF FORMER, ()
()

B. () AND () AGREED THAT THEY WILL HAVE TRUSTED
ARMY OFFICERS WITH THEM. () INTENDS ATTEMPT TAKE OVER WITH
PROBABLE AID (), FORCE () RESIGN OR KILL HIM, FORCE
RESIGNATION () OR KILL HIM, ENTER INTO CONTACT WITH ALL
MILITARY GARRISONS, TELL THEM ATTEMPT PRESERVE ORDER BUT NOT TO
IMPEDE ELIMINATION OF COMMUNISTS BUT TO AID WHERE POSSIBLE.

C. HAVE WARNED () THAT COMBINATION ()
() AND () IN FORM OF JUNTA IS NOT SATISFACTORY. ()
NOW VERY CLOSE TO () WHO PROVING VERY WEAK WOULD
BE OVERSHADOWED HAVE CLEARLY TOLD () THAT ARMY HAS LAST
CHANCE SAVE ITSELF. HE AND () WILL BE ACCEPTABLE AND

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HONORABLY TREATED IF THEY GET MOVING. DELAY IS OVER. DECISION IS NOW.

2. () AGREED COMPLETELY WITH ABOVE BUT ASSERTED THAT ARMY AND GOVERNMENT KNOW NOTHING ABOUT ARMS BEING DROPPED EXCEPT THOSE WHICH TURNED OVER BY CAMPESINOS IN GUATOLON. HE WAS TOLD THAT 800 TONS HAVE BEEN DROPPED. THAT GARRISONS ARE SUFFICIENTLY MINED WITH OUR PEOPLE TO MAKE THEM A BLOODY MESS WHEN THE SHOOTING STARTS AND THAT HE MUST ACT SOONEST OR HE AND ALL HIS FRIENDS WILL BE LOST.

3. () SAYS HE MUST WAIT FOR EMERGENCY. HE PLED FOR BOMB DROP ON RACETRACK ETC BEGGED FOR SHOW OF FORCE. VIGOROUSLY URGED TEAR GAS DROP AND BREAKING UP OF 18 JUNE DEMONSTRATION WHICH GOVT BUSILY TRYING STAGE ON MAMMOTH SCALE. SAYS ARMY AND GOVERNMENT DO NOT BELIEVE ANYTHING CAN OR WILL HAPPEN. ALL PURE TALK. NOTHING BUT PSYCHOLOGICAL STUNT.

4. () ASSURED HIM BOMB WOULD BE DROPPED, THAT PLANES WOULD FLY OVER, THAT TRACERS WOULD BE FIRED, THAT SPECTACLE FORCE WOULD BE PROVIDED. () PLEADED THAT THIS BE DONE SOONEST, THAT PLANES ZOOM CITY, () ME, () ME, GUARDIA CIVIL ETC.

5. HE CATEGORICALLY STATED THAT BOMB DROP AND IMPRESSIVE SHOW OF STRENGTH WOULD SWING ARMY OVER HE INSISTED WITH OBVIOUS SINCERITY THAT SHOW OF STRENGTH WILL GIVE HIM AND FRIENDS

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OPPORTUNITY WHICH THEY WILL SEIZE. HE CONVINCED THEY CAN GAIN CONTROL. HE REITERATES THAT TIME FOR SHOWING STRENGTH IS HERE.

6. WE URGENTLY REQUEST THAT BOMB BE DROPPED, THAT SHOW STRENGTH BE MADE, THAT ALL AVAILABLE PLANES BE SENT OVER, THAT ARMY AND CAPITAL BE SHOWN THAT TIME FOR DECISION IS HERE.

(172030Z).

END OF MESSAGE

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